

Falcon Refinery Superfund Site Community Meeting (12/05/07)

Falcon Refinery Ingleside, San Patricio County, TX

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Announcement of a Community Meeting

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will host a community meeting to provide the public with an update on the current environmental activities at the Falcon Refinery Superfund Site (hereinafter the "Site"). The EPA will also respond to the participants' questions regarding the environmental investigation of the Site. We welcome the public's participation at this meeting. This community meeting will be held:

Wednesday, December 5, 2007 7 p.m. Ingleside City Hall 2671 San Angelo Ingleside, Texas 78362

Purpose and Current Status of the Removal Action

The purpose of the Removal Action at the Site is to remove and dispose of hazardous substances, pollutants, and contaminants from tanks and other containers, equipment, piping and buildings. The National Oil Recovery Corporation (NORCO) is also required to perform asbestos inspection and abatement; decontamination of containers, equipment, piping, and buildings; removal of containers, equipment, piping, and other contaminated items; and consolidation, removal, and disposal of grossly contaminated soil. Removal activities are continuing.

Purpose and Current Status of the Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study

The purpose of the Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study is to determine the nature and extent of contamination and to gather sufficient information about the Site to support an informed risk management decision regarding which remedy is the most appropriate for the Site. The EPA, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, and the State and Federal natural resource trustees have reviewed the Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study Work Plan, Field Sampling Plan, and Quality Assurance Project Plan submitted by NORCO. The EPA approved these plans on October 22, 2007. Field work and sampling is scheduled to begin on November 26, 2007.

Site Description

The Site, owned by NORCO, occupies approximately 104 acres and is located about 1.7 miles southeast of State Highway 361 near the intersection of FM 2725 and Bishop Road near Ingleside, Texas. The Site is currently being used as a crude oil storage facility. The Site is bordered by wetlands to the northeast and southeast, residential areas to the north and southwest, and industrial facilities to the southeast and southwest.

National Priorities List

The National Priorities List is a list of national priorities among the known or threatened releases of hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants throughout the United States. The National Priorities List is intended primarily to guide the EPA in determining which sites warrant further investigation to assess the nature and extent of public health and environmental risks associated with a release of hazardous substances. The EPA's "Proposed Rule" for proposing the Site to the National Priorities List was published in the Federal Register on September 5, 2002. The EPA has suspended the listing of the Site on the National Priorities List, so long as NORCO, with the EPA's oversight, performs and finances the actions required at National Priorities List sites in accordance with the terms and conditions of a June 9, 2004. Administrative Order on Consent with the EPA for a "Removal Action" and a "Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study". These Administrative Orders on Consent legally bind NORCO to perform these activities.

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